6354. Adulteration and misbranding of cottonseed meal. U. S. * * * * * V. Monroe Cotton Oil Co., a corporation. Plea of guilty. Fine, \$100. (F. & D. No. 8289. I. S. No. 12046-m.)

On July 9, 1917, the United States attorney for the Western District of Louisiana, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for said district an information against the Monroe Cotton Oil Co., a corporation, doing business at Monroe, La., alleging shipment by said company, in violation of the Food and Drugs Act, as amended, on or about November 6, 1916, from the State of Louisiana into the State of Mississippi, of a quantity of cottonseed meal which was adulterated and misbranded.

Analysis of a sample of the article by the Bureau of Chemistry of this department showed 6.44 per cent ammonia.

Adulteration of the article was alleged in the information for the reason that a certain substance, to wit, cottonseed meal, containing, to wit, 6.44 per cent of ammonia, had been substituted in whole or in part for cottonseed meal containing 7 per cent of ammonia, which the article purported to be.

Misbranding of the article was alleged for the reason that it consisted of food in package form, and the quantity of the contents was not plainly and conspicuously marked on the outside of the package in terms of weight, measure, or numerical count.

On April 1, 1918, the defendant company entered a plea of guilty to the information, and the court imposed a fine of \$100.

C. F. MARVIN, Acting Secretary of Agriculture.